

Jane F. Garvey Administrator Federal Aviation Administration

Jane F. Garvey, the 14th Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration was sworn in August 4,1997. She is the first Administrator confirmed by the Senate to a five-year term. With an outstanding career in public service and extensive administrative experience, Garvey brings to the FAA a strong commitment to ensure the world's safest skies become even safer.

As Administrator, Garvey manages a 49,000-person agency with worldwide impact and presence in promoting aviation safety and security. The FAA regulates and oversees aviation safety and security, conducts cutting edge research and development, and operates the world's largest air traffic control system.

Administrator Garvey initiated *Safer Skies*, the U.S. aviation community's safety agenda, which focuses the agency's resources on taking the actions that safety data and analysis indicate can make the biggest difference in lowering the accident rate. She led the successful transition of the FAA's air traffic control system to January 1, 2000 with no disruptions to service. In addition, the FAA provided world leadership on Y2K transition. Under Administrator Garvey's leadership the FAA is moving forward on its phased plan to modernize the air traffic control system and has, for the first time, achieved government and industry consensus on how to proceed. To bring immediate modernization benefits, she initiated the Free Flight Phase 1 program under which the FAA reached consensus with the aviation community to deploy five specific technologies by the end of 2002.

Prior to being named FAA Administrator, Garvey was Acting Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). She served as Deputy Administrator of FHWA from April 1993 until February 1997. FHWA, also an agency of the U.S. Department of Transportation, has an annual budget of \$20 billion and works in partnership with the states to maintain the safety and efficiency of the Nation's roads and bridges. A creative leader at FHWA, Garvey chaired FHWA's Innovative Financing Initiative, which resulted in more than \$4 billion in transportation investment in more than 30 states—projects that in many cases would not have been otherwise built.

Before joining FHWA, Garvey served as director of Logan International Airport, one of the Nation's busiest aviation facilities. From 1988 to 1991, she was Commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Public Works. Before that, Garvey was Associate Commissioner in the Massachusetts Department of Public Works, where she directed construction activities and developed environmental initiatives.

Garvey holds degrees from Mount Saint Mary College and Mount Holyoke College. She has participated in the Fellowship Program for Public Leaders at Harvard University.

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